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Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly decision 42/450, the members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination are nominated by the Council and elected by the Assembly.

2. The membership of the Committee in 2015 is as follows (the term of office expires on 31 December in the year indicated):[1] Armenia (2017); Belarus (2017); Benin (2016); Botswana (2015); Brazil (2017); Burkina Faso (2017); Cameroon (2017); China (2016); Cuba (2017); El Salvador (2015); Ethiopia (2016); Equatorial Guinea (2017); France (2015); Haiti (2016); Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2017); Italy (2017); Japan (2016); Morocco (2016); Namibia (2017); Pakistan (2017); Peru (2015); Portugal (2017); Republic of Korea (2016); Russian Federation (2015); Saudi Arabia (2017); Ukraine (2017); United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2017); United Republic of Tanzania (2015); United States of America (2017); Uruguay (2017); and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) (2017).

3. The General Assembly, at its seventieth session, will be called upon to elect seven members, on the nomination of the Economic and Social Council, to fill the vacancies in the Committee that will occur on 31 December 2015 upon the expiration of the terms of office of the following members: Botswana, El Salvador, France, Peru, Russian Federation and United Republic of Tanzania, as well as one member from Western European and other States whose seat remains vacant. The term of office is three years, beginning on 1 January 2016.

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[1] There is one vacancy for Western European and other States, for a member whose term of office would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2015, and one vacancy for Asia-Pacific States and one vacancy for Western European and other States for members whose terms of office would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2017.

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4. In accordance with General Assembly decision 42/450, the vacancies are to be filled as follows:

(a) Two members from African States;

(b) One member from Eastern European States;

(c) Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(d) Two members from Western European and other States (includes one unfilled vacancy).

5. By its decision 2015/201 B, the Economic and Social Council nominated the following six Member States for election by the General Assembly at its seventieth session for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2016: Argentina, France, Peru, Russian Federation, United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe.

6. The geographical distribution of the nominated Member States is as follows:

(a) African States (two vacancies): United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe;

(b) Eastern European States (one vacancy): Russian Federation;

(c) Latin American and Caribbean States (two vacancies): Argentina and Peru;

(d) Western European and other States (two vacancies): France.[2]

[2] The Economic and Social Council postponed the nomination of one member from Western European and other States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2016 (decision 2015/201 B). The Council further postponed the nomination of one member from Western European and other States for a term expiring on 31 December 2015 and one member from Asia-Pacific States and one member from Western European and other States for a term expiring on 31 December 2017; all terms begin on the date of election by the General Assembly.